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GLENDALE HONORED BY WESTMARC FOR EXCELLENCE IN INNOVATION AT BEST OF WEST AWARDS CEREMONY

GLENDALE, **Ariz.** – The city of Glendale was recently awarded WESTMARC's prestigious Excellence in Innovation award for the Oasis Groundwater Treatment Plant at the 2011 Best of the West Awards event.

The Oasis Groundwater Treatment Plant is a state-of-the-art facility that provides high quality, safe drinking water to the Glendale community by enhancing the overall reliability of Glendale's water services and supports economic growth, and a sustainable community. The facility also received the American Council of Engineering Companies' (ACEC) Honor Excellence Award for 2011.

As the largest facility of its kind west of the Mississippi, this 10 milliongallon-per-day facility, located near downtown Glendale and co-located with the Oasis surface water treatment plant, went online in March 2011. The advanced ion exchange technology used at the Oasis Groundwater Treatment Plant allows for a cost-effective way to treat and process groundwater. Outstanding design and construction management kept this complex project on track and under budget.

The innovative design of co-locating this plant with the surface water plant on the Oasis Water Campus enables the city to implement integrated water resources planning, production, and operations. It optimizes energy consumption,



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reduces chemical usage and helps protect the environment while improving Glendale's ability to provide quality and reliable water services to its vibrant community.

The Best of the West Awards program recognizes outstanding contributions to the image, lifestyle and economic development of Western Maricopa County. For more information on WESTMARC and the awards program, visit www.westmarc.org.

For more information on the city of Glendale and its services and facilities, visit www.glendaleaz.com.

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